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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner For Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to an Office Action dated July 2, 2004 in the above-identified application, which imposed a requirement for restriction on the applicants, the applicants provisionally elect Group II, claims 2-7 and 9. This election is made with traverse.

## Group IV should be examined together with Group II

Restriction requirements are optional in all cases. MPEP § 803. If the search and examination of a set of claims can be made without serious burden, the Examiner must examine them on the merits, even though they may be arguably directed at distinct or independent inventions. MPEP § 803. In the present application, it is respectfully submitted that claims in groups II and IV can be examined together without serious burden on the Office.

Claims in groups II and IV are closely linked. Group II claims are directed at polynucleotide sequences that encode SEQ ID NO:2 or its variant, said polynucleotide sequences linked to a non-native expression control sequence, and host cells comprising said polynucleotide sequences. Group IV claims are directed at methods of identifying sodium channel modifying agents that employ the host cells provided in Group II claims. Therefore, proper searches for both groups would involve searching for said polynucleotide sequences and if Group II is found patentable, Group IV would